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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Toshio MORITA, Yoshihisa SAKAMOTO, Yutaka SUHARA and
Kunio NISHIMURA
CARBON FIBER, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND APPARATUS
THEREFOR

Assignee: SHOWA DENKO K.K.

Our Ref. Q61610

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including seventeen (17) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, three (3) sheets of drawings, sworn translation of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/245,715, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	24 - 20	=	4	x	\$18.00	=	\$72.00
Independent claims	2 - 3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$710.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee							\$270.00
TOTAL FILING FEE							\$1052.00
Recordation of Assignment							\$40.00
TOTAL FEE							\$1092.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$1052.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from June 12, 2000 and April 27, 2001 based on Japanese Application Nos. P2000-175105 and P2001-130941 respectively, and benefit is claimed from November 6, 2000 based on U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/245,715. The priority documents are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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